DIGNEY STICKS TO HIS STORY

THAT DEMOCRATS TRIED TO DE-FEAT M'CLELLAND.

H. C. Henderson Corroborates Him and Tells of a Large Fund Raised in Westchester Each Year to Be Used in a Way That Would Not Bear Investigation.

quantity of political ferment was created in the Westchester county Democratic organization to-day when the sub-committee of the county committee appointed a week ago, began a public investigation of the story told by ex-County Clerk John M. Digney, the Democratic leader of White Plains, about three of the leading Democrats in the Twenty-second Senate dis-

Digney's story, which was told at the last meeting of the county committee in this place, about ten days ago, was that Henry C. Henderson, a prominent Republican of White Plains charged ex-Mayor Edwin W. Fiske of Mount Vernon, ex-Mayor Michael J. Walsh of Yonkers and Tom J. O'Neil, the Tammany leader in the annexed district, with having accepted, in the campaign of 1902, overtures from William L. Ward, the Republican leader in Westchester and Gov. Odell's henchman, with a view to defeating Charles P. McClelland, the Democratic nominee for Senator, and reelecting Isaac N. Mills, Ward's man. Mr. Digney at the hearing to-day not only rejeated the story which he told a few days ago, but filed it, with additional matter, in writing, and brought Mr. Henderson, who was formerly Ward's private counsel, before the committee to testify.

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counsel, before the committee to testify. The meeting of the investigating committee was held in the Elberon Hotel. The committee is composed of five men—John G. Agar of New Rochelle, who was personally selected by Mr. Walsh; John W. McCarthy, a banker, of Rye, who was named by Mr. Fiske; William Mercer of Somers, Mr. Digney's choice, and George S. Towle of Larchmont and Erstus R. Finch of Bedford, who were elected by the three members named by elected by the three members named by the parties chiefly concerned in the in-vestigation. Mr. Digney, when the committee was

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To Mr. John G. Agar and others: GENTLEMEN: I submit to your committee To Mr. John G. Agar and others:

GENTLEMEN: I submit to your committee the following:

First—In January or February of the present year, Henry C. Henderson, Esq., of White Plains, a prominent lawyer, having offices at 100 Broadway, New York city, recently counsel to the Sheriff of Westchester county, a prominent and active Republican county committeeman, informed me that the present Democratic State committeeman, representing the Twenty-second Senatorial district, and the present chairman of the Democratic county committee, act in concert with the Republican organization of Westchester county in matters political whenever the leader of such Republican organization requests them so to do.

I asked Mr. Henderson to specify wherein these gentlemen had so acted, and he did so, his statement being, as near as I can recall the same, as follows:

First—That the nomination of Mr. David H. Morris, Democratic candidate for Senator in 1900, was procured at the request of the chairman of the Republican county committee, and that two of the persons through whom he acted in procuring such nomination were the present chairman of the Democratic State committeeman.

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Second—That at the direction or request of the chairman of the Republican county committee, the present State committeeman and the present chairman of the Democratic county committee and the Democratic leader in the annexed district worked for the nomination of the Hon. Charles P. McClelland for Senator in 1902.

Third—That the present chairman of the Democratic county committee and the present member of the State committee from the Twenty-second Senate district and the Democratic leader of the annexed district acted with the Republican party at the general election in 1902 to defeat the Democratic candidate for Senator and elect his opponent.

That these acts on the part of the Demorant these acts on the part of the pemo-cratic committeemen named were done for a money consideration and Mr. Henderson's knowledge of these facts was communicated to him directly from the chairman of the Republican county committee.

Mr. Walsh is now Democratic State committeeman for the Twenty-second district; Mr. Fiske is chairman of the Democratic county committee, and Mr. O'Neil is leader in the anexed district. The "then State committeeman," referred to is J. J. Beaudrias of Yonkers.

Mr. Digney was the first one heard by the committee. He said that he had called on Mr. Walsh some time ago and urged him for the sake of the party's interests him for the sake of the party's interests to demand an investigation into the stories that were being circulated, but Mr. Walsh, according to Mr. Digney. refused to do so, because he thought it would lend dignity to the stories if they were noticed officially. Mr. Henderson was then called. He testified that in 1900 he saw Ward one day at the Manhattan Hotel in New York. Ward, he said, told him that he was going right over to the Hotel Cadillac to meet Fiske and Walsh and Dillon, the Mayor of New Rochelle, in a conference to select New Rochelle, in a conference to select a suitable Democratic candidate for

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Mr. Ward, Mr. Henderson said, did not probably be named, but I him who would probably be named, but found out later that Morris was chosen at the meeting. Mr. Henderson said that at the meeting. Mr. Henderson said that Morris was a personal friend of his and he warned him not to take the nomination, as he would be knifed. But Morris, Mr. Henderson testified, said that Croker had assured him that it wouldn't cost him a cent for campaign expenses in the annexed district. Mr. Henderson understood, he will detail the same are those in the same than the same vote in six cities in Westchester should be

kept below a certain figure.

Mr. Henderson testified that in 1902
Ward wanted McClelland nominated on the Democratic ticket because he felt that he was a weak candidate. He knew, ac-cording to Mr. Henderson, that Isaac N. Mills, whom he was pushing for reelecwas pushing for relection on the Republican ticket, was very weak also. The deal with the Democratic leader was, accordingly, Mr. Henderson asserted, fixed up. He told the committee that he understood one-third of the money which was offered the Democrats for their services was used before of the money which was offered the Demo-crats for their services was paid before election and the other two-thirds was held back to be paid when the terms of the agreement were fulfilled. Mr. Henderson testifies further that he had heard that \$3,000 was paid in Yonkers and Mount Vernon respectively in 1900 and the same amount in 1902. Mr. Henderson, understood further 1962. Mr. Henderson understood further, he said, that the Tammany leader in the annexed district agreed to hold the McClelland vote down to 750 in his district, and that Mr. Walsh, when there was talk of contesting McClelland's election, when the results had come in effected to turnish results had come in, offered to turnish Ward affidavits showing that there were irregularities in the election in Yonkers. When Mr. Henderson made this state-ent Mr. Walsh jumped to his feet and Then, turning to Mr. Henderson, he said that he had heard that Hencerson had told Digney that Republican money was paid to certain Democrats for their

"Yes," said Mr. Henderson.
"Who were those men?" asked Mr. Agar, one of the committee.

"Mr. Dillon, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Fiske," said Mr. Henderson. Mr. Agar then asked the witness if Mr. Ward had told him that he had paid money to the men named, and Mr. Henderson

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Mr. Henderson testified that the Ward
ring raised a campaign fund of between
\$35,000 and \$50,000 every year and that not
more than one-third of the fund could be accounted for in any year by the records.

Mr. Walsh, when he came before the committee, denied that he attended committee, denied that he attended any conference in the Cadillac; that he promised to give Ward any affidavits concerning election irregularities in Yonkers; that he ever had any dealings with him in any way looking toward the support of the Republican organization. He said that he had worked for McClelland and that the election records in Yonkers would bear out his statements. He re-

garded the accusations, he asserted, as an attempt to weaken his political hold in Yorkers Ex-Mayor Fiske of Mount Vernon sent a

prevented him from attending the hearing. but that he would testify next time.

J. J. Besudrias also denied that he was ever a party to any such deal as Mr. Henderson asserts.

The committee adjourned to meet next Monday, when other witnesses will be

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Ex-Mayor Dillon said last night that Walsh and Fiske had nothing to do with the nomination of Mr. Morris. Mr. Morris was nominated at the request of Richard Croker, Mr. Dillon said. It was brought about one day when Mr. Croker and Mr. Dillon were returning from the races at Morris Park. The former Tammany boss told Mr. Dillon what he wanted.

"I told him," said Mr. Dillon last night, "that we couldn't elect Mr. Morris, but he said it made no difference. I got the delegates to vote for Mr. Morris, and that is all there was to it."

MORE PARKER DELEGATES. Tompkins, Tioga and Dutchess Counties

Instruct for Him. ITHACA, March 26 .- At the Tompkins county Democratic convention here this afternoon Judge Parker was unanimously indorsed for the Presidential nomination A Hearst resolution went down with only

A Hearst resolution went down with only the vote of its author in its favor.

BATAVIA, N. Y. March 28.—The Hon. Robert A. Maxwell, H. J. Howe and A. B. Fargo were to-day elected from Genesee county to the Democratic State convention. No instructions were given, but they are supposed to favor Parker.

Cooperstown, March 26.—The Otsego county Democratic convention held here to-day elected the following delegates to the State convention: A. C. Tennant, George W. Greear and F. L. Winter. They are uninstructed, but favor Parker. The Parker men were in a strong majority in the convention, but in order to prevent any feeling resolutions favoring him were any feeling resolutions favoring him were

any feeling resolutions favoring him were not presented.

Owego, March 26.—The Tioga county Democratic convention to-day elected as delegates to the State convention M. S. Lynch, H. B. Wintersand Riton Durfee. Resclutions indorsing Judge Alton B. Parker for President and instructing the delegates from Tioga county to vote to instruct the State delegates to the national convention to vote for Judge Parker for nomination for President were adopted with only a few negative votes. A resolution pledging the State delegates to vote as a unit on any question on which they have power to act went through without an opposing to act went through without an opposing

vote.

POUGHKEEPSIE, March 28.—The two
Democratic Assembly district conventions
in Dutchess county to-day were unanimous for Judge Parker and elected delegates instructed to vote at the Albany
convention for delegates favoring his
nomination for President. In the Second
district convention Louis Stuyvesant Chanler professed his loyalty to Parker, but protested against instructing the delegates
for him. He was outvoted by a large majority and yielded the point.

INSTRUCTED FOR HEARST. Almost a Unanimous Convention for Him Likely in South Dakots.

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 26.-Thirty-seven out of the fifty-two counties in South Dakota have elected delegates to the Democratic State convention to nominate delegates to the national convention. Four hundred and fifty-five delegates are instructed for Hearst for President. Of the 720 delegates in the State convention, it is estimated all but seventy will go instructed for Hearst. Former Republican Senator R. F. Pettigrew will be chairman of the delegation to the national convention and will either manage Hearst's campaign, if the latter is nominated, or will be a Vice-Presidential candidate. This was announced to-day from the South Dakota headquarters of the Democrats. State convention to nominate delegates to

In elemocratic county convention, meeting in this city this afternoon, elected delegates to the State Convention and instructed them for Hearst for President.

MADISON, S. D., March 26.—The Lake county Democratic convention to-day reaffirmed the Kansas City platform and passed resolutions favoring Hearst for President and Senator Clark of Montana for Vice-President.

Topeka, Kan., March 26.—Six counties in Kansas elected delegates to-day to the Democratic State convention, in four of which Hearst delegations were chosen. In Leavenworth the Hearst element was defeated and ex-Senator Harris was indorsed for President. Recently all the Bryan leaders in Kansas have received letters from Lincoln. Neb., urging them to see to it that Kansas sends a delegation.

Congress Convention of northern Dutchess and southern Columbia country esponsed to this effect:

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"Any lady in Dutchess county who would l to see to it that Kansas sends a delegation against any Eastern Democrat who did not support the ticket in the 1900 campaign

SOME ARE FOR HEARST. Democrats of Connecticut Find Support in the State for the New Yorker.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 26 .- In Norwich last night Mayor Charles F. Thayer presided over the Democratic caucus that selected eight delegates to the State con-vention in Hartford on May 6. It was said that four of the delegates are for Hearst. Mayor Thayer is reported to be a Hearst supporter. He is also a candidate for Governor. A resolution instructing the State delegates to vote for Hearst delegates at the State convention was voted

A resolution introduced into the Democratic town convention in Hartford on Thursday night in favor of Hearst was vigorously hissed and defeated overwhelmingly. At the same convention Mayor Ignatius Sullivan was renominated. He is classed as a Hearst man, but it is said that he does not wish to mix up the

Mayoralty contest with State politics. The Hubbard Escort, the leading political organization of Hartford, named in honor of the late Gov. Richard D. Hubbard, last

James E. McGann, member of the Demo-cratic State central committee from the New Haven district, said to-night that New Hayen district, said to-night that there was a considerable movement throughout Connecticut for Hearst. He is for Parker, and so is John Walsh of South Norwalk, chairman of the Democratic State committee. Former Governor Waller of New London, who will head the New London delegation to the State conven-tion, is a strong Parker man.

HILL BEATEN IN GLENS FALLS. The Victors, However, Profess to Be for Parker for President.

GLENS FALLS, N. Y., March 28 .- The contest in the Democratic caucuses to-day closely resembled the old fights between the Hill and Cleveland forces. The real issue to-day was Hill, and his followers never had a more severe drubbing. They were unable to secure a single one of the ten election districts. They were led by Eugene L. Ashley, the president of the Hudson River Water Power Company, who wants to go to the State convention and is after State Committeeman J. T. Finch's

is after State Committeeman J. T. Finch's scalp.
Daniel O'Leary, postmaster under Cleveland and present Village President, and Committeeman Finch led the victors in O'Leary's interest as delegate to the State convention. Both sides profess to be for Parker and both want this county's delegation to go uninstructed. The winners to-day will favor an uninstructed delegation to the national convention, while the defeated would have obeyed Hill's behests.

With leadership, Hearst could have cardereated would have obeyed Hill's behests. With leadership, Hearst could have carried to-day's caucuses. Unquestionably the rank and file here are for him, but without organization and in the quarrel of the leaders among themselves Hearst was completely lost to sight.

Broome County Instructs for Roosevelt and Dunn.

BINGHAMTON, March 26.-Republicans of the First and Second districts of Broome county to-day elected delegates to the State convention. Col. George W. Dunn heads the delegation from the First district. Both the delegation from the First district. Both delegations were instructed to favor Roosevelt for President and Col. Dunn as member of the State committee. The county convention, also held to-day, elected delegates to the Congress convention and instructed them to work for the selection of Col. Dunn as delegate to the national convention.

DUTCHESS COUNTY LIKELY TO BE STIRRED UP AGAIN.

Louis Stuyvesant May Run Against Gen. Ketcham for Congress and Robert Winthrop Hopes to Snatch From Henry S. Ambler the Senatorial Toga.

POUGHKEEPSIE, March 26.-The news that Louis Stuyvesant Chanler, supervisor from Red Hook, in this county, and prospective Democratic candidate for Congress n the Twenty-first district against John Henry Ketcham, the veteran campaigner, had been held in contempt of court by Judge Newburger of New York was heard with much interest here. Assemblyman Chanler, who is here looking after his fences and incidentally keeping an eye on Deputy Attorney-General William H. Wood, who is down from Albany forging a Parker boom, was asked repeatedly to-day if his brother would be free in time to get in training to give Congressman

Ketcham a dusty hunt.

To all inquirers Mr. Chanler smiled blandly and proposed an adjournment to the Nelson House café, where the old point of etiquette between the Governors of the Carolinas was given proper precedence. It was a busy day for Mr. Chanler and a profitable one for the Nelson House.

How seriously the Chanler family is to be taken in Dutchess county politics is giving the leaders of both the old parties food for thought. When Robert Winthrop Chanler ran for the Assembly last fall and was boosted to victory by a prize bull, with trimmings of pink teas to the Christian Endeavor societies of his district, baseball for the boys, tournaments for the firemen, and liberal salaries to a long string of retainers, his success was regarded as a mixture of accident and good luck. The Second Dutchess district is so strengly Republican that even Chanler's long rent roll was not thought persuasive enough to change it. Probably it would not have been if the money had been spent to buy votes outright, but the original methods of the stalwart Robert Winthrop won him success in a battle which he conceded from the start to be a forlorn hope.

The wave that wafted Robert Wintnrop into office carried into the Board of Supervisors his brother, Louis Stuyvesant Chanler, who was a candidate from Red Hook on the Democratic ticket. Since that lucky day the Chanlers have been ceaseless in their efforts to extend their influence in their enorm to extend their influ-ence in the Democratic party. Assembly-man Chanler is considering whether to announce himself a candidate for the State Senate, and it is more than hinted that his brother will take a fall out of Congress-man Ketcham.

man Ketcham.

Robert Winthrop Chanler continues to take an interest in baseball, prize bulls and dogs, fire companies and church fairs. He has paid the debts of the Poughkeepsie league team and will continue the champion Red Hook nine in the field for another season. With the assistance of Col. Jacob Ruppert, Jr., Member of Congress from the Sixteenth district, he has conceived a new wrinkle to enlist the sympathies of the ladies of the Dutchess county households in his political fortunes. The flower seeds which Col. Ruppert receives from the Government, instead of being distributed in the metropolis to wither and shrivel and die in alleys and courtyards, shrivel and die in alleys and courtyards, have been shipped to Assemblyman Chan-ler's district and turned over to the Young

ler's district and turned over to the Young Men's Democratic Association of northern Dutchess and southern Columbia counties.

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Congress Convention Igneres Roosevelt

and Turns Down Roosevelt's Friends. POUGHKEEPSIE, March 26 .- The Repubican Congress convention for the Twentyfirst district to-day renominated Gen. John H. Ketcham, who is serving his sixteenth term in Congress; ignored President Roosevelt and turned down Gen. W. S. C. Wiley of Catskill, Roosevelt's friend, for delegate to the national convention. The mailed hand of Louis F. Payn was shown all through the proceedings. Mr. Payn did not attend the convention, but from his apartments at the Nelson House he pulled the wires that undid Gen. Wiley. It was announced several weeks ago that Mr. Payn and Gen. Wiley were to be the delegates to Chicago from the Twentyfirst Congress district. This decision was

arrived at after Gen. Ketcham and Robert H. Hunter, the Dutchess county leaders, had both declined the proffered honor. Subsequently Gen. Wiley's Greene county district convention passed resolutions praising Roosevelt, Platt and Odell. When Mr. Payn arrived in Poughkeepsie last night word went out that Assemblyman John R. Yale of Putnam county was

to be substituted in place of Gen. Wiley as Mr. Payn's companion delegate to Chicago. The friends of Mr. Payn made no secret of the fact that the praise of Roosethe Greene county convention was displeasing to him.

Of the twenty-nine delegates to the Of the twenty-nine delegates to the Congress convention this afternoon twenty-eight voted for Mr. Payn for national delegate. Assemblyman Yale received 17 votes and Gen. Wiley 12 votes. Mesers. Payn and Yale were declared the choice of the convention. For alternates, Mayor George M. Hine of Poughkeepsie and County Judge S. K. Phillips of Fiskhill were named. Francis G. Landon of Dutchess county was chosen an elector. Gen. Ketcham did not attend the convention, but the delegates

attend the convention, but the delegates from his district, the first of Dutchess, joined with those of Greene county in sup-porting Gen. Wiley. CORTLAND COUNTY FOR DUNN. Indorses Senator Platt as the Active Leader

of the Republican Party. CORTLAND, March 26 .- At the Republican county convention held here this afternoon lelegates were elected to the State convention and to the Senatorial, Congressional and Judicial conventions. Resolutions were unanimously adopted indorsing President Roosevelt and Gov. Odell and recognizing Senator Thomas C. Patt "as the active party leader, whose ability and skill in times past have contributed so largely to Republican success and whose continuance in active leadership is the presage of further victories." Indorsement will also given to Col. George W. Dunn as chairman of the State committee and to J. W. Dwight, Congressman from this district.

Charles O. Newton, the Homer philanthropist, who recently donated the system of waterworks to the village of Homer, and whose name is known in connection with other public bequests in the town made famous by David Harum, was nominated for member of Assembly to succeed Henry A. Dickinson, who declines renomination. lenator Thomas C. Patt "as the active

Coaster in Collision With a Schooner. NORFOLK, Va., March 26 .- The Merchants and Miners' steamer Frederick, bound from Savannah, Ga., to Baltimore, was in collision off the North Carolina coast this morning with the schooner Gypsy, which she towed into Hampton Roads in a badly

LAUDED CLEVELAND AND REED.

Lieut.-Gov. Gulid Says They Worked Together to Stop the Purchase of Silver. HAVERHILL, Mass., March 26.—Lieut.-Gov. Curtis Guild, speaking to the Republican Club last evening, paid a tribute to former President Cleveland, but said that the Democratic party was now disrupted.

"In 1892 the Democratic party controlled the Presidency and both Houses of Congress by safe majorities," said Mr. Guild. Its President was a brave and honest gentleman. The Republican party in Congress joined their forces to the minority of the Democracy, and to T. B. Reed, as well as to Grover Cleveland, credit for what was accomplished in checking silver purchasing is due."

ODELL AND HOOKER SCORED. Resolution in Chautauqua Republican Con-

vention That Caused an Uproar. JAMESTOWN, N. Y., March 26 .- The Republican conventions of the First and Second Assembly districts of Chautauqua county were held this afternoon, and eighteen delegates were elected to the State convention to be held in New York in April. The convention of the First Assembly district was held in Jamestown, and the convention of the Second Assembly district in Dunkirk.

In the First Assembly district the Platt and Odell forces joined issue, and although concessions were made by both sides in the interest of harmony, it is a significant fact that Orsino E. Jones of Jamestown, former State Committeeman, who has been writing letters to the press denouncing Justice Warren B. Hocker, was placed on the delegation, together with Mayor J. Emil Johnson of Jamestown, who is controlled by Mr. Jones. The delegation is headed by Assemblyman Arthur C. Wade, who classifies himself as a plain Republican with no interests in the fortunes

Republican with no interests in the fortunes of either faction, Mr. Jones is the recognized Platt leader of the county.

Prior to calling the convention a slate of State delegates had been prepared on the theory that there would be no contest at the eleventh hour. Mayor Johnson demanded representation. A committee was appointed to revise the slate, and this committee placed Mayor Johnson and Orsino E. Jones on the delegation. The other members of the delegation are neutral, but will be controlled by Mr. Jones and Assemblyman Wade. These concessions were made in the interests of harmony, but Alpehus Hodges of Lakewood, without consulting any one, threw the convention into an uproar by the introduction of a resolution which indorsed President Roosevelt for his consistent efforts in bringing to justice those implicated in post office frauds, and continued as follows:

plicated in post office frauds, and continued as follows:

While we thus commend President Boosevelt, we feel that our duty to the Republican party, whose interests we have long cherished and sustained, demands that we should with equal frankness show disapprobation of the conduct of Benjamin B. Odell, who, knowing of the frauds that have been perpetrated in the Post Office Department, knowing of the intimate connection of Warren B. Hooker with many of these frauds, deliberately elevated this discredited jurist to a position on one of the Appellate courts of the State, thus outraging the public conscience and exposing the Republican party to the danger of defeat, therefore

Resolved, That we disapprove of the conscience of Renjamin B. Odell in abusing the appointing power vested in him by the Constitution by the appointment of unworthy men to the highest courts of the State and his efforts to subvert the judiciary to parisan ends, and that we protest against any and all efforts looking to the choice of Benjamin B. Odell is as chairman of the Republican State committee because of the conviction that his conspicuous presence at the head of the State campaign will result in party disaster.

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This resolution was voted down and another, from which all reference to Gov. Odell personally had been carefully omitted, was adopted.

The Second Assembly district convention, which was controlled absolutely by Speaker S. Fred Nixon, adopted resolutions indorsing Odell and Roosevelt, and elected a State delegation, with Mr. Nixon as chairman. as chairman.

BRYAN WANTS PARKER'S VIEWS, on the Selection of Supreme Court Justices.

William J. Bryan was in town yesterday. Asked what attitude he event of Judge Parker being nominated at St. Louis he said:

"It is impossible for me to say now, for the simple reason that I do not know where Judge Parker stands and what he stands for. I may tell you that I have for some time been endeavoring to find out how Judge Parker stands on some of the more important questions that are now before the Democratic party, but I am as much in the dark as ever.

Upon a suggestion that Judge Parker, in view of his place on the bench, had not the same latitude as other candidates might have to talk of political issues Mr. Bryan intimated that no person who was so placed hat he could not make known his views on important matters to the voters ought to allow himself to be brought forward s a possible candidate for the Presidency. "One very important matter upon which

would like to hear from Judge Parker,' Mr. Bryan added, "is as to the stand he would take, supposing he were elected, in the appointment of Justices of the Supreme Court—whether he would appoint such men to the Supreme Court bench as did President Cleveland or whether he would appoint men who could be depended on not to favor the trusts. The advocacy of Judge Parker by Mr. Hill is not very assur-ing on that point and so far attempts to dis-cover Mr. Parker's own views have failed." Mr. Bryan said that he was in favor of a State sanding an instructed delegation to State sending an instructed delegation to the national convention for the reason that the delegates were supposed to represent the wishes of the voters as a whole. He refused to say whether or not he would support the nomination of Mr. Hearst in

he convention.

Mr. Bryan had some business in Brooklyn in the matter of the estate of Philo Bennett The local burgau of personal assessments had put the name of Mr. Sloane, one of Mr. nad put the name of Mr. Sloane, one of Mr. Bennett's executors on their books and had taxed him accordingly. Mr. Bryan said that Mr. Sloane had never qualified as executor and he desired to have Mr. Sloane relieved Bryan signed the necessary papers.
In signing one of the papers for Tax
Commissioner Dunne, Mr. Bryan said in a
jocular way: "Now, don't write the indorsement of any Presidential candidate over
that."

Fassett Beaten in Steuben County. HORNELLSVILLE, March 26 .- The organization Republicans controlled the second Assembly district convention of Steuber here to-day and elected a delegation, headed by Senator F. D. Sherwood, to the State convention. Delegates favorable to Congressman Gillett were elected to the Congress convention at Bath. The Fasett forces made a small showing in the convention, but were defeated at every point

by a large majority.

The Second district convention held at Bath, was solidly for Gillet. Resolutions indorsing the administrations of President Roosevelt and Gov. Odell, and commending the services of Senators Platt and Depew were passed.

Car Bandite to Be Hanged on April 22. CHICAGO, March 26 .- Judge Kersten this afternoon set April 22 for the hanging of Peter Niedmeyer, Harvey Vandine and Gustav M. Marx, the car bandits, found guilty of the murder of Francis H. Stewart.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Fire Commissioner Hayes yesterday appointed Dr. Linnaus J. Hunter of 229 East Thirty-first street medical officer of the department for Manatian, and Dr. James A. Kennedy of 129 Fith street, Long Island City, for Queens borough. The salary is \$2,000 a year

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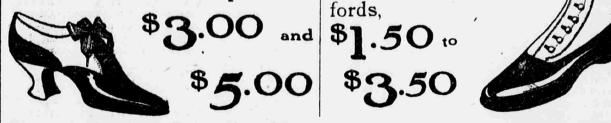
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WOMEN CHEER NEGRO LEADER

IT SEEMED AS IF THEY WOULDN'T LET BOOKER WASHINGTON GO.

Call Him Out Three Times After a Lecture on Industrial Education, and 200 Crowd to Shake His Hand-He Tells a Story of African Table Politeness.

A thousand women crowded into Berkeley Lyceum yesterday morning to hear Booker T. Washington speak on "The Fruits of Industrial Education." The lecture was given under the auspices of the League for Political Education. That the audience was entirely Northern in its sympathy was shown by the enthusiastic applause which met every remark of Mr. Washington that did not redound to the credit of the

Southern whites. When Robert E. Ely introduced the speaker almost the entire audience stood up to cheer the negro orator who has been entertained by the President. He began his lecture by relating as a recent occurrence the story of the "good woman 'way down in Alabama" who asked her guests if they wanted long sweetening or short sweetening. He said he was present when

this story was created. "My friend," said he, "took long sweetening, which proved to be a dip of the good woman's finger into the molasses pot and then a stir in his cup of coffee. short sweetening, which caused the good woman to bite a lump of maple sugar in two and put one piece in my cup and the other in hers. This is to tell you that both my long speeches and my short ones are

The umbrellas of the feminine audience pounded the floor in approval, and the lecturer plunged immediately into the subject of the education of his race in the South. He spoke of reluctance of the white South" to encourage the educational proients for the "black South."

"The industrial education of the negro appealed to the selfish interests of the white South," said he, "and they encouraged it. In this they wisely saw the solution of many problems. [applause.] . But the negro of the South has-or, rather, had-a strong

of the South has—or, rather, had—a strong animosity toward everything the white South approved, and this made it difficult to develop our plans. One old cologed man came to me and said:

"'Mr. Washington we jes' wanter know how you is goin' to vote. You can read the papers and knows lots of things the white man knows whut we don't an' we jes' wanter find out how you is goin' to vote. We watches the white man and keeps on watchin' him and den we sees how he goin' to vote, an' we jest votes de odder he goin' to vote, an' we jest votes de odder way. Now we wants to know is you goin' to vote wif us or wif de white folks.'

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"That," said the lecturer, "was the spirit we had to encounter. There was a large percentage of the white South that realized that in the industrial education of the negro lay a protection for them against the problems of labor unions such as trouble the North. They also realized that the industrial education of my neople meant the sail North. They also realized that the industrial education of my people meant the salvation of the race. The negro himself, after these years of doubt and hesitancy, has come to see this fact. Last year we refused 1.500 pupils who applied for admission to the industrial department of our college at Tuskegee.

"Without the introduction of industrial education for the negro I do not believe the North and the South would ever have come together in the interest of the future.

education for the negro I do not believe the North and the South would ever have come together in the interest of the future. of my people. I know how serious the problem is, and my hope is in the industrial education of the black South. And not merely in the South and for the negro is this regenerating influence applicable. The black South can boast of having taught the North something in this matter. The thousand wemen who will not maintain silence at their own meetings when violinists and tenors are doing their best, gave rapt attention to every word Booker Washington had to say.

One of the stories he told concerned a rich corporation in his own State, one of the members of which is a negro. "They don't always invite us to prayer meeting down South," said he, but they, always invite us to the stockholders' meetings. He was called back to the platform three times after the lecture to receive the applause of the audience. Finally Mr. Ely announced that Mr. Washington would

receive the ladies in the league hall on the second floor. There was a rush for this section of the building, and about 700 women crowded forward to shake hands with Booker Washington. A large part of the audience stayed about the building for nearly an hour.

CALL ON FAGAN FOR PROOF. Essex County Leaders Repudiate His

Charges of Legislative Corruption. Major Carl Lentz, chairman of the Essex county Republican committee, says on the subject of the open letter addressed to Gov. Murphy of New Jersey by Mayor Fagan of Jersey City, in which the Essex members were attacked: I know Mr. Fagan personally. He is a

nice little gentleman, and I am surprised that he should have been responsible for a letter of such purport. mistaken Mr. Fagan is, or was, when he wrote,

so far as the integrity of the Senator and Assemblymen from Essex county is conpeople here. But Mr. Fagan is the Mayor of Jersey City, the second largest city in this State. His letter might have been dictated when he was excited and laboring under disappointment, but he knew what he wrote and the people of Newark and Essex county expect Mr. Fagan to prove what he says—that our legislative representatives are

says—that our legislative representatives are corrupt.

If he proves to the slightest degree even that they are corrupt, then the Republican party will take immediate steps to purge itself. General allegations mean nothing, as a rule, but Mr. Fagan has made a serious charge, and the people call on him for the proof of what he had said. Unless he produces that proof he will not only lose the respect of the people of Newark and Essex county, but of Jersey City and Hudson county as well, for they are just as truth loving and fairplay loving as our people here are.

Maint Legislation and Tay Commissioner

Major Lentz has been a Tax Commissioner of the State for several years and he says that the equal taxation which Mayor Fagan advocates is impossible from his point of advocates is impoview. He says:

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There is no equal taxation in New Jersey to-day, notwithstanding that the law and the Constitution require it. Equal taxation means an equal basis of taxes for all. Take our large cities, where the manufacturing interests are extensive and provide employment to many of our people; take this city, for instance, with its population of 300,000, almost exclusively a manufacturing community; if you tax the manufacturers up to the true value of their property while they have to compete with the manufacturers of other States, the result would be that you would drive them out of business.

I myself pay taxes on personal property twice in amount that paid by a large and important business interest in this city.

It owns personal property worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, and pays taxes on \$500. I'm taxed for \$3,000 personal property.

Congressman Stanley Renominated. FRANKFORT, Ky., March 26 .- A. O. Stanley was unanimously renominated as th Democratic candidate for Congress in the second district to-day.

KILLED WIFE AND HIMSELF. Dinner Wasn't Ready and Frank A. Brown, a Scenic Artist, Commits Murder. Boston, March 26 .- Frank A. Brown, &

cenic artist, shot and killed his wife, Dora, and himself at his home in Roslindale this afternoon. The wife received two wounds and was killed instantly. Brown was still alive when found, but his single wound proved fatal in a short time. They came from Minneapolis.

Willis M. Wilson, a grown son of Mrs. Brown by a former marriage, was in the house when the tragedy occurred. He says he overheard a quarrel over his mother's failure to have dinner ready, and went into the kitchen. The altercation seemed not to be more

violent than usual, and he left the room to get his hat to go out. Almost immediately he heard three shots and, rushing back to the kitchen, he found both his mother and his stepfather on the floor. Wilson says that Brown and his wife had quarrelled for a long time. Brown is said

to have made threats against the wife's life. About two weeks ago the family suffered from poisoning. It was diegnosed by the physician as ptomaine poisoning. Now Wilson thinks it may have been an attempt by Brewn to kill the whole

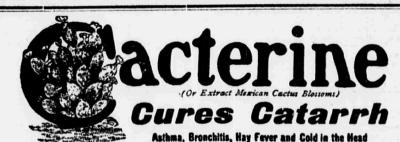
MORECON ROBS BUNKHUM Boarding House Tangle of Names Over a Theft of \$10.

Walter Bunkhum, who lives in a boarding house at 17 West Twenty-first street, missed \$10 from his trousers pooket on Friday. He complained to Fred Savage, who runs the boarding house, and Savage called on the police of the West Thirtieth street station.

Last night Rudoiph Morecon, amegro bellboy in the house, was arrested. In Morecon's trunk the police found some silves spoons that belonged to the boarding house. "Say, wouldn't this jolt you?" said the sleuth. "Morecon has been stealing from Bunkhum."

D. A. R. TEA AND LECTURES. A Gathering at Sherry's Raises 6875 for a Barnard Scholarship.

The New York city chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution raised \$375 by a lecture day entertainment at Sherry's yesterday afternoon. The fund will devoted to the Barnard College scholarship. E. Woodruff was the lecturer, and he spoke on "The Little Colonial Girl," and "Eliza Pinckney." Following the lectures, tea was served in the ballroom and several hours were given up to gossip, mostly in discussion of who really has the right to control the Jumel Mansion.



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